

SENATE BILL 1288

By Bunch

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4,
Chapter 3, relative to state assistance.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 4-3-2207, is amended by deleting in its entirety the language in subsection (b) and by substituting instead the following:

(b) From and after the creation of any regularly chartered, nonprofit tourist promotion organization and regional economic development districts representing all the area within a planning region of this state as delineated by the state planning office and reiterated by Executive Order No. 17, and when the local people indicate their willingness to contribute financially, then the state shall be authorized to match such local contributions up to a maximum of thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000) annually on the basis of two dollars (\$2.00) in matching state funds for each one dollar (\$1.00) contributed by the local people involved. The aggregate of such funds may also be used for purposes of matching various federal programs of assistance for tourist promotion. Cities and counties are specifically authorized to appropriate and expend funds for carrying out the purposes of this section and §§ 4-3-2204, 4-3-2206, and 4-3-2208.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.